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Tree falls on logger, causing serious injuries

MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

Although the injuries that Joe Graham sustained in a logging accident on Friday are very serious, there is relief that he was not hurt as badly as first feared.

"It didn't look good, not good at all," says Trevor Keller, who was working with the 27-year-old Gooderham man in the bush just off Gould's Crossing Road when the accident happened. "I didn't think he'd make it."

The two men have been working for Pat Casey southwest of Haliburton village for the past two months. Keller was working the bulldozer and Graham was cutting the tree. When the tree fell, the top end got snagged in another tree, causing the back end to "kick back." The entire tree landed on Graham, making him fold up like an accordion.

"It was real quick," says Keller, who keeps seeing the scene replayed in his mind. "He tried to move but there was no way to get out of the way. It was a fair-sized tree."

Keller jumped off the bulldozer and ran to rescue his friend. There were no signs of life and Keller thought the worst as he used the chainsaw to cut the log and remove it from Graham's body. That's when he heard Graham mutter, "Get it off of me."

Keller immediately called 911 on his cellphone and within the hour, Graham was being airlifted to Sunnybrook Health Services Centre in Toronto.

His cheekbones are smashed; Keller thinks this was caused by Graham's knees hitting his face when the log landed on him. His hip was dislocated but has been reset. His shoulder was shattered and a surgeon was

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You've come a long way, Haliburton health services

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Editor

When people from across the county gathered in the Delta Pinestone's ballroom on February 23 to wish Haliburton Highlands Health Services a happy 10th anniversary, the atmosphere of fellowship and goodwill was a testament to how much has been achieved in the past decade.

Just 11 years ago, many people would have doubted that the county could have pulled together to overcome the many obstacles that stood in the way of an integrated healthcare system.

Tensions between Haliburton and Minden were high. Going

to a board meetings was like entering a battle zone. Ultimate control was in the hands of people in Peterborough and Queen's Park. And all of the fighting was being reported in the local newspapers, making people wonder if the war would be won by attrition. Who would be the last person standing?

At one point it was suggested that a new hospital be built on the Allsaw Flats, halfway between the two rival villages "so everyone would be inconvenienced equally," quipped former MPP Chris Hodgson.

But, with the arrival of Foster Loucks as the organization's founding CEO and peacemaker, the fighting subsided and the

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Yum!

Jocelyn Chumbley certainly got into the spirit of the annual Shrove Tuesday pancake dinner sponsored by St. George's Anglican Church at the Haliburton Legion on Tuesday. She was one of hundreds of people who prepared for Lent by attending the feast.

Being active chases away winter blahs

STEVE GALEA

Special to The Echo

In one respect, a Haliburton winter is sort of like Brian Mulroney's brand of conservatism - you either love it or hate it. The difference, however, is that when it comes to politics, Canadians have a choice in the matter. Unless you choose to travel south, though, a central

Ontario winter offers no such luxury.

Phil Graham, Haliburton County's most prominent weather watcher, says that the winter of 2006 snuck up on us. "We had a mild January, a normal February with all those clear, cold days. Now March is shaping up in a fairly normal way. Despite the way it started, we're back to a regular winter."

No matter how it developed, depending on your outlook a Haliburton winter can either pass painfully slowly or in the blink of an eye. Some people, whether by choice or circumstance, hibernate inside their homes and endure it till spring. Others embrace winter and make use of every last patch of snow and ice. Highlanders cer-

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If you have any questions about the changes, please do not hesitate to call Sabrina Sisson at 457-1037.

Lunch with writer is postponed

THE LUNCH WITH BARRY GRILLS, former chair of the Writers' Union of Canada, scheduled for Thursday, March 9, will be rescheduled for early in May. The date and location will be announced later. The Haliburton Highlands Writers' and Editors' Network, which was hosting the lunch, apologizes for any inconvenience this causes anyone. Those who purchased tickets may return them to the stores where they bought them for a refund.

This is Nutrition Month and the health unit is making it easier for you to make wise choices. Join dietician Rosie Kadwell for a free supermarket tour in either Minden or Haliburton on March 30. She will teach you how to understand food labels. As well, for the first time ever the Health Unit is offering its healthy lifestyle classes in Haliburton. "Learn Eating and Activity Forever" in this free series that runs over four weeks. It offers participants ways to eat better, be more active and achieve a healthier body weight. To sign up or find out more, call 457-1391 or visit www.hkpr.on.ca and click on What's New.

Minden artist Pegi Evers is the first to have an exhibit at the Internet Café in Haliburton. Desert Visions is an artist-inspired assemblage of sun, silence, big sky, ancient ruins and adobe. With names like Wind Spirit, Painted Desert and Ancient Ones, the relief pieces framed in shadow boxes are inspired by forms such as petroglyphs and mandalas using diverse

materials such as paper clay, collograph or linocut prints, found objects from nature, sand, beads, feathers and fibres. Highly textured and glowing with the heat and earth tones of the desert, the work is a delight to the senses in the cold of a Haliburton winter.

Join friends, family and thousands of other proud Canadians and get a running start on your Canada Day celebrations at Algonquin Park. On July 1 participate in the third annual Hbc Run For Canada and help raise funds for Canada's athletes. The Hbc Run for Canada marquee event is a scenic 10K run. The 3K Walk or 1K Kids Run are a perfect event to start your Canada Day off right. Bring your family, do it alone, or sign up a team of neighbours to raise money for our future star athletes. Visit www.hbcrunforcana.ca.

Although winter driving can be treacherous, most serious car collisions happen during the summer months – a shocking reality that will be addressed in the second season of Discovery Channel's hit TV series *Canada's Worst Driver*. Producers are accepting nominations for people whose driving is in need of a major tune-up. The worst of the worst will receive rigorous coaching from the program's team of experts with the aim of returning them to the nation's highways as better drivers and lesser liabilities. E-mail driver@propertelelevision.com or call 1-866-598-2591 now to nominate Canada's Worst Driver.

There's also a search for a local contestant in the National Canada Pageant. The competition, which showcases skills and accomplishments, is open to any female aged seven to 56 and with a motto of "ordinary girls doing extra-ordinary things," it's not a beauty pageant. For details visit www.canadapageants.com.

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Everyone needs a hug now and then

Cancer survivor Jutta Dombrowsky thanks hospice by sewing 'hugging pillows'

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

The day that Jutta Dombrowsky returned home after cancer surgery, she sat on her couch, crushed a pillow to her chest and cried.

She mourned the loss of the breast that the surgeons had removed. She dreaded the chemotherapy that would see all of her hair fall out. But, above all, she was drowning in the dark depths of how alone she felt with the disease.

"I was down to the ground," she says of how low her spirits sank that day. "I knew I had chemo in Scarborough but I didn't know how I would manage with the drive. I thought I was completely paralyzed. I couldn't do my housework, I couldn't even take a shower by myself. You get so depressed you're ready to say this is the end. I thought I'd lose my home, lose everything."

The next day she phoned SIRCH's hospice program in Haliburton. Her daughter, Shirley Brown, had read about the service and had insisted that her mother call.

The woman who answered the phone heard more in Dombrowsky's voice than a simple request for a ride to her chemotherapy appointment. She also heard the depression and the hopelessness. She told Dombrowsky that help was on its way.

That help arrived at Dombrowsky's doorstep the next day in the form of Linda May-Powers, the co-ordinator of the program that links volunteers with people who are facing life-threatening illness. Not only would May-Powers find volunteers who could spend time

with Dombrowsky, but she also linked the Haliburton woman with other local agencies such as the access centre. Soon, it wasn't just May-Powers knocking on Dombrowsky's doors. There was a nurse, home help and volunteer drivers from the local chapter of the Cancer Society.

"It was amazing. All of a sudden you find out what everyone is doing [to support cancer patients.] I felt like a queen," Dombrowsky says. "No one had ever done this for me. They looked after me like a mother looks after her little hens."

Sometimes it was something as simple as taking Dombrowsky and her two rather energetic dogs, Bear and Buddy, for a walk. On nice days they'd have a simple picnic in the park.

Although her daughter Shirley lives in Haliburton and is Dombrowsky's best friend, Dombrowsky appreciated being able to call on hospice. "I can't praise Shirley enough but there are certain things you don't want to bother your family with."

Hospice volunteers become close enough that you can unburden your soul but they're distant enough that you don't have to feel guilty about it.

The chemotherapy over, Dombrowsky wanted to find a way to say thanks to the hospice program. She couldn't donate money but she could put her exceptional sewing skills to work. She would make pillows. And not just an ordinary pillow like the one she hugged to her chest when she returned from hospital. These pillows would speak of love and loss, of heartache and recovery.

More than 30 years ago, Dombrowsky's other daughter, Linda, sat down at a sewing machine and made a series of heart-shaped pillows which she gave to the people she loved. Jutta cherished hers and it was one of the things she missed most when a fire destroyed the family's Miskwabi Lake cottage in 1976.

MARTHA PERKINS/Echo



'A hug is worth more than anything,' says Jutta Dombrowsky, who has sewn almost two dozen pillows to give to other participants in the hospice program.

Linda suffered from multiple sclerosis and fibro-myalgia. As her condition worsened, she talked to her mother about how disappointed she was that she wouldn't be able to donate any of her organs if she died. In compensation, she decided that she would donate her gorgeous blond hair to a company that made wigs for cancer patients.

At the age of 44, Linda had a massive heart attack and died. In the hours before the funeral, her mother opened the casket to cut her hair, knowing it was what her daughter would have wanted. Inside the casket, Dombrowsky found the pillow that Linda had made for Linda's daughter.

When Dombrowsky asked her granddaughter about this, her granddaughter said, "My mom needs it more than me."

"No," the grieving grandmother said, "you keep it. Every time you hug the pillow you think of your mother."

On that dark day in November 2003, when Dombrowsky returned home from surgery, she wished she had her daughter's "hugging pillow." That memory resurfaced when she tried to think of a way to honour both her daughter and the hospice volunteers.

Why are hugs so important? Dombrowsky searches for words. "A hug is worth more than anything," she says. She remembers how she hugged

her dog Bear the day she stepped out of the shower with a completely bald head, the water having washed away every last strand because of the chemotherapy. "It gave me so much comfort when I hugged him. I almost think Bear cried with me. My dogs are good listeners."

As May-Powers says, "When there's nothing else you can say, a hug says it all."

Right now, Dombrowsky thought she'd be saying thanks to hospice by being a volunteer driver. But just a few days ago, she found out that cancer had returned. This time it's a lump deep in her neck. It's back to chemotherapy.

While devastated by the news, Dombrowsky doesn't feel the same despair. With the support of her daughter Shirley and the various community agencies that will come to her aid, she knows she doesn't have to fight alone.

She also knows her daughter Linda is with her.

December 20, 2003 was Dombrowsky's last round of chemo. It was also the anniversary of Linda's death. The double whammy was just too much for her. She couldn't make herself go to the hospital.

And then she heard "that little nagging voice" of her daughter Linda telling her, "You told us never to quit in life and now you're quitting?"

Dombrowsky made it to her chemo appointment and now she will face whatever this next round with cancer puts in her way. Meanwhile, she's still sewing those heart-shaped hugging pillows for all the others who need a little help on their journey.

When Jutta Dombrowsky told Linda May-Powers, co-ordinator of the hospice program, that she was making pillows for other people facing hardship, Powers was overwhelmed. One of the pillows says, "Love each hour as if it is your last and each day as if you were immortal."



Get creative in coping with a long winter

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tainly don't need to look too far to see snowmobiles or ice huts. But they also don't need to search too long before they discover friends or acquaintances merely waiting out the season.

Sue Shikaze, a health promoter at the Haliburton Kawartha Pine Ridge District Health Unit believes that these people in particular need to make stronger efforts at being active in winter.

"It's been proven that being physically active is beneficial to your health. But we recognize that winter offers challenges to many people. So, if you're not a skier, snowshoer, hockey player, skater, or curler, you might need to be a little more creative."

Shikaze says that Health Canada's Guide to Physical Activity recommends that adults should be active for 30 to 60 minutes a day for at least four days a week. "It doesn't have to take the form of conventional exercise or sport. Nor does the activity need to be overwhelming. Shovelling snow, splitting wood, walking, or even going to the store and shopping for groceries counts, too. If you're active for 30 minutes a day, the activity should be a little more vigorous; closer to 60 minutes and you can maintain a gentler pace. Naturally, you should see a doctor before you begin if you have health concerns.

"Aside from the regular winter sports, there are plenty of other things to do in our area," she says. "These include

indoor walking clubs like those at our hospital and high school, as well as yoga, tai chi, and aqua fit classes. Or you can lean towards more social activities like square dancing. The important thing is to remain active. Even something as simple as a mid-day walk has incredible benefits."

Marianne Kirley, a therapist and case manager at the Haliburton Highlands Mental Health Services, agrees. But she says that January and February is the worst time of year for people who have a hard time coping with winter. "Cabin fever is more relevant at these times since the days are shorter and there's less sunlight. The weather is usually poorest during these months, too, and spring seems far off."

Still, Kirley advises people to get outside and stay active if they can. She, too, says that a brief walk after work is just the ticket for recharging your batteries. She also prescribes some time in the sun each day. "If that's not possible, at least open the curtains to allow the sunlight in; you might even consider opening a window to air out your home:

"Watch a cat some time. They spend a lot of time in the sunlight by the window sill," she says. "That's really not a bad idea in winter."

Kirley cautions that some people, especially the elderly or disabled, can feel isolated during the winter. "Sometimes they have difficulty getting around because of weather or road conditions. Perhaps they can't take the cold like they used to." Moreover, she says that people who have outdoor hobbies such as gardening tend to miss these activities more when engulfed in winter.

That's why Kirley is a believer in volunteerism. "Volunteers take a lot home with them," she says. "The social interaction is good for people."

She also suggests that hobbies are valuable tools in coping with winter. "Winter is a great time to catch up on reading, knitting, or whatever else interests you."

That's precisely what Jerry Grozelle does. The Minden resident finds winter restrictive due to a disability. "Though

I'd like to get out more," he says, "I have a hard time dealing with icy surfaces."

But, despite this, he's learned to make the most of the season by spending happy hours organizing his fishing tackle boxes, maintaining his angling gear, and planning open water excursions with friends for the spring. Additionally, he reads, surfs the Internet, and volunteers with organizations such as the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association. "I find I can keep myself busy enough so that winter doesn't become too much of a drag."

On the other end of the spectrum are those who live for the snow. Bob Bishop, owner and manager of Sir Sam's Ski Area in Eagle Lake, says this year is one of his resort's best in recent memory. "Our customers are mostly cottagers who view Haliburton winters as something special, which they are. These people just seem to love winter and they make the most of it. They're happy to be here and excited about winter recreation."

Bishop says that new twists to the old themes are helping resorts such as his. Snowboarding and parabolic skis, for example, are two recent innovations that are gaining popularity. But, he says, the bottom line is that his customers are eager to tackle all the season has to offer. They're hooked on the beauty and excitement of a highlands winter.

And that's not a bad outlook, according to Shikaze. "Winter around here lasts a long time. Why not figure out a way to enjoy it?"

To find out more about Canada's Physical Activity Guide visit <http://www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/pau-uap/paguide/index.html>.

To learn more about "Celebrating winter activity" visit <http://www.winteractive.org/en/>

And lastly, there's a great section on the benefits of winter activity at the Go for Green web site. Visit http://www.goforgreen.ca/winter_green/index.htm for more.



Chamber moves into new office

Charlene English, the administrative coordinator of the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce, proudly displays her new desk and office at the chamber's new location in Carriage House on the south-west corner of Bobcaygeon Road and Highway 35. Complete with its own board meeting area, kitchenette and large reception space, the chamber's new office is a welcome change, says English. There are four 8 1/2 by 11 foot offices available for rent, preferably to chamber members in need of office space. To contact the chamber, call either 286-1760 or toll-free at 1-877-811-6111. Alternatively, visit www.experiencehaliburton.com or www.hhchamber.on.ca.

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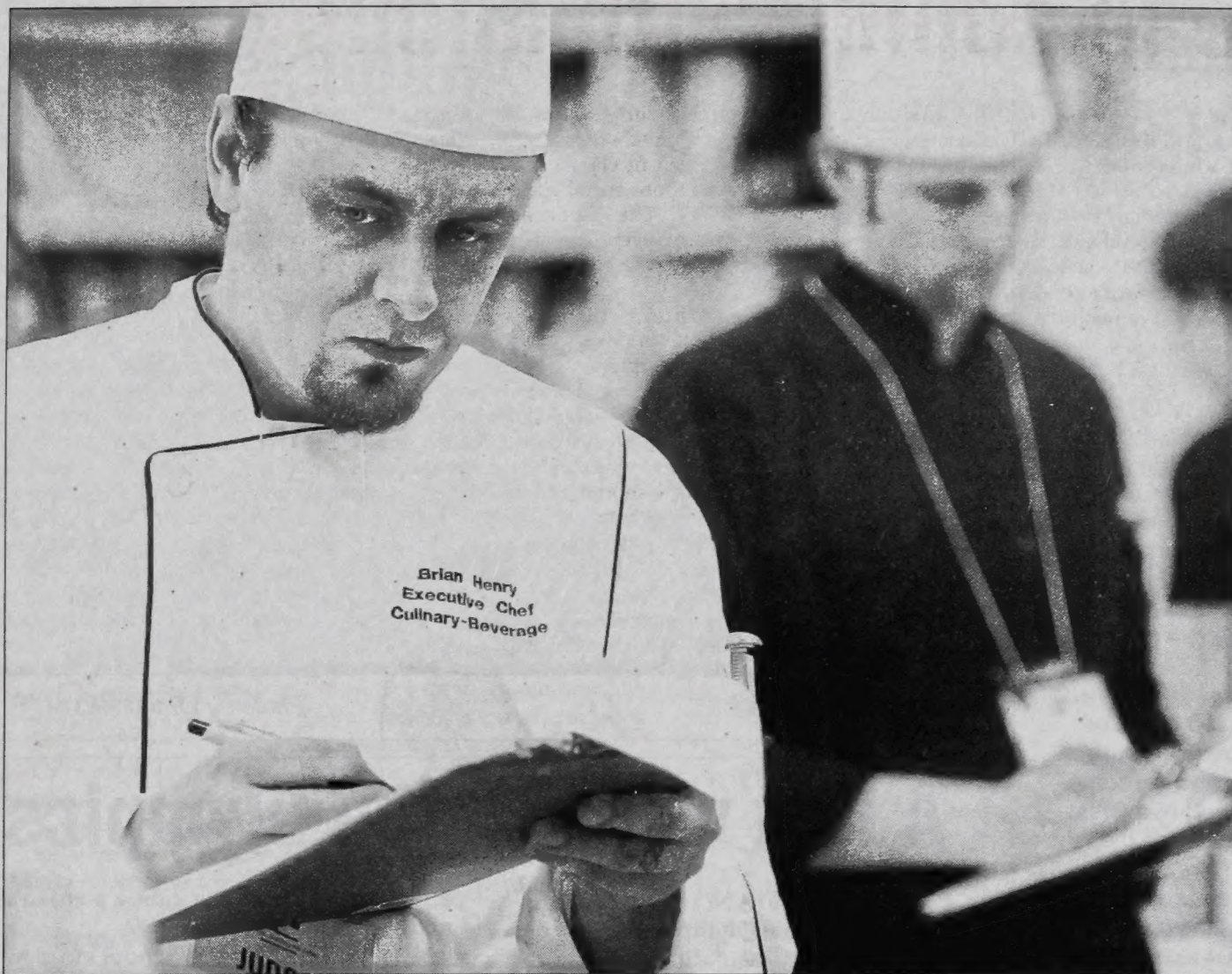
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Judging the chefs

Haliburton saw the best youth chefs battle it out in the Culinary Arts Competition during the 2nd annual Our Hands ... Building Our Future Regional Skills Competition hosted at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School on February 27. Nine students, including Becky Coysh of HHSS, showed their skills, attempting to win over three skilled chefs from the industry. Judgement was based on industry standards and completion of a menu that included a salad, Roast Chicken Breast Supreme with roux-based mushroom sauce and Duchesse potatoes. The Regional Skills Competition runs the course of the week in several places (Sutton, Lindsay, Port Hope, Brighton, and Peterborough) and includes other categories such as team carpentry, graphic design, welding, individual carpentry (in which Josh Mayhew of HHSS competed) and auto technologies.

School board wants 'to make poverty history'

The following briefs were supplied by the Trillium Lakelands District School Board after their meeting on February 24.

A "Make Poverty History" banner that is travelling to high schools across Canada will be coming to Trillium Lakelands starting March 7. Thanks to our Council of Presidents and student trustee, the banner will be at more schools in Trillium Lakelands than in any other board in Canada. Once the banner has completed the country circuit it will be presented to the Prime Minister.

School year calendar

Trustees approved the 2006-2007 school year calendar. Dates to note include the holiday break, December 25, 2006 to January 5, 2007 and the March Break, March 9 to March 16, 2007.

New Look for Adult Ed

Alternative education sites are being renamed as Adult Education Training Centres.

The alternative education program operates out of six different sites offering a wide array of programs. Administrators at these sites have been working to come up with a new image for the centres in recognition of the changing nature of the program and the shifting competitive environment within communities. The new name will assist in promotion and advertising efforts and will alleviate community confusion.

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From nightmare to celebration

THE HUMAN BRAIN has a remarkable ability to suppress bad memories. When Haliburton Highlands Health Services hosted a 10th anniversary dinner a few weeks ago, founding CEO Foster Loucks gave a speech that brought back long-suppressed flashbacks of meetings that were fraught with tension, mistrust and anger. It is a testament to how much has been achieved that so many of those memories have been erased, supplanted by the pride we all feel in the facilities and the services we, as a county, can offer today.

Since too much ink was spilled at the time recounting those horrendous early days, it's best to let sleeping rivalries lie. Healthcare is one of the most precious and valued cornerstones of community life. The threat that it could be diminished was both very real and yet sometimes overblown, creating a highly-charged emotional atmosphere as the villages of Minden and Haliburton strove to get the healthcare facilities they needed and deserved. Thanks to the hard work and fighting spirit of the volunteers who formed the various committees that led to creation of the HHHS, and the tremendous talents of Loucks and the team he brought together, so much has been accomplished.

Having Loucks as the founding CEO was a bit like having Nelson Mandela as the founding president of an apartheid-free South Africa. History could have been much, much different if the job had been left to different men. Thanks to Loucks' skill as peacemaker, and his commitment to doing what was right for the people of Haliburton County, regardless of the politics involved, he was able to ease tensions between Minden and Haliburton – as well as improve services. At the 10th anniversary celebration, he joked that it was because he grew up in Ingoldsby, a village in between. His place of birth certainly did go a long way in helping reassure people that he had everyone's best interests at heart.

Ten years later HHHS is poised to finally finish off its capital debt and start raising money to improve the foundation that has been built over the past decade. It is a time of much celebration and hope. We survived a tumultuous beginning and emerged the better for it.

A logger's life

Because it takes place out of sight of most people, it's easy to forget how important logging is to our local economy. The cutting and selling of trees, however, is the second biggest contributor to our wellbeing, employing hundreds of people throughout the county.

Given how many people work in the bush, we're lucky that there have been so few accidents involving loggers. In British Columbia, the number of deaths in the bush has set off alarm bells. Here, Friday's accident involving young Joe Graham is a reminder that while the work is fraught with danger, our safety record is high.

The community joins Graham's family and friends in wishing him a speedy recovery. It will be a long and painful process and he deserves our support.



A slice of life at HHSS

Photo by DARREN LUM/ECHO

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A last word on the Olympics

IF YOU CAN STAND another two minutes on the Olympics... Okay, our men's hockey team didn't do it. But just about everyone else did. A record 24 medals! See how great that feels. Now just think how truly positive everyone will feel when we are up there with Germany competing for Best in the World. That's where we belong. And that's where we can be, with a little help from our friends in Ottawa and the various provincial capitals.

And I'm ready for the Canadian mantra: Healthcare, healthcare, healthcare. Shouldn't we be putting every dime we have into maintaining our famous healthcare program? No. Not all of it. Some of it should be earmarked for 'prevention'. We must look at prevention as a part of our healthcare program.

Think about how much we would save on healthcare if our population were 1,000 per cent healthier. Think of all the physical and mental positives that come from being part of the fittest population in the world. Think of the potential of a population that wakes up every morning in fighting trim, ready to take on anything the world can throw at it. Being physically fit is possibly the most important thing we can be as a people. A population that is physically fit is mentally able to compete and win in every theatre of human competition – from business to bobsledding.

Where and how does it all start? It starts at every school in the country. It starts every morning with an exercise regimen, like calisthenics or, for a more inter-

esting approach for the kids, a passive martial art like Tai Chi.

Next, make sure every school kid can avail him or herself of every kind of winter or summer sport available, from luge to downhill; speed-skating to goaltending; cross-country skiing to marathon running.

Anywhere there is a talent, we should offer a program to let that talent grow – to let that youngster develop with their sport and (if they want) eventually go for the brass ring. If they don't want, they end up embracing physical fitness as a concept that will probably last for the rest of their much longer and more productive

lives. We have to just do it, as the slogan says.

Spend as much money on sports and athletics as possible. Spend till it hurts. It will pay us back tenfold as a country.

What's that? Do I hear screaming? What about the people who don't go in for sports, or have absolutely no aptitude for sports? Well, just do what you always do – become managers. Get into The Business of Sport. Do you realize how much money there is in sports and athletic pursuits? Just billions. So those who don't do sports can become sports entrepreneurs. And there will be plenty of business if it's done the way I'm hoping it will. Because every village and every town and every city and province will be constantly competing. This is the way it becomes world-class. Constant competition from the grassroots to the Olympics. The mind boggles at the opportunities.

Hmm. I wonder who holds the TV rights. Excuse me, I have some calls to make.



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For the public good

If you read my column in last week's *Echo*, you're probably painfully aware that the very last line, or what we know in the humour business as "the punch line", was cut off at the end of the story. Rest assured that this was not a mistake by the editorial team. Nor is it proof-positive that they don't bother to read anything I write. Rather, it was a conscious act done for your own protection.

Unfortunately, my punch line was exceptionally funny last week. So funny, in fact, that it was not deemed safe for

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public consumption. Jack Bush, our proofreader, actually broke several ribs from laughing too hard, including one that popped right out through his chest cavity. Martha Perkins, our editor, threw out her sciatica, and she only read half of it. Fortunately, they have both recovered fully this week, but not before making me promise to tone down my humour a bit in this column.

But enough about them. Let's examine the controversy surrounding last week's punch line.

After much debate, the editorial team here at the paper had to make a very important decision: Do we publish the punch line in its lethal, hilarious entirety knowing full well that it was funny enough to potentially cause readers to drive off roads, fall out of trees, or injure themselves with dull cooking utensils such as spatulas or gravy spoons, or do we take the high road and remove the dangerous part of it?

As you now know, on the advice of our legal team, we chose to err on the side of caution because we care about you, the reader.

Needless to say, it was not an easy decision to arrive at. We had to weigh our sacred obligation to the freedom of speech against the very real need for due diligence, responsible journalism, and public safety.

Yes, we could have successfully argued that it wasn't our fault that you laughed so hard that you stopped paying attention to your surroundings and walked off a cliff. Yet, despite this, we felt a very real obligation to prevent such incidents from occurring. After all, it wouldn't take more than 3,000 or 4,000 injuries like that before causing very real damage to our circulation figures.

Even so, it was not an easy decision to make.

We examined several historical, precedent-setting cases that were argued before the highest courts of the land. Perhaps most pivotal to our decision was the landmark case of Moe and the hammer claws up the nose vs. Shemp. In that famous ruling the judges noted that "Although placing hammer claws up the nostrils of an inept acquaintance and dragging him around the room by the nose is extremely funny, we must rule in favour of the greater good, thereby protecting society from the dangerous comedic use of power tools that are sure to follow...."

I think it is easy for all sides to see the wisdom in this ruling.

Because of this, last week's punch line has been sealed in an envelope and sent away to a part of the world where a) they have no sense of humour and b) English isn't spoken. That's right, it now resides safely in Quebec.

Rest assured that this will not become the policy of this newspaper; rather we will judge each an every punch line on an individual basis. Furthermore, those deemed potentially dangerous but not actually laugh out loud funny will be preceded by a disclaimer similar to those used on medication bottles, like the ones I commonly utilize.

On a more personal note, I'd like to apologize to any reader who has been injured in the past as a result of my humour. Rest assured this was not my intent.

So, to summarize, the omission of my punch line in last week's column was not, as is commonly believed, an inexcusable mistake by the editorial staff of this paper. And, contrary to popular belief, I am not writing this explanation under duress of any kind. The proofreader does not - I repeat does not - possess embarrassing photos of me taken at the last office Christmas party.

Additionally, I'd like to say that I am not at all upset that my punch line, one that I had spent hours crafting to comedic perfection, was not published. Despite the fact that it was the pinnacle of what I consider my art, it meant nothing to me.

In fact, I actually view it as an easy-come, easy-go situation. Let's face it, a fellow of my ability can come up with a hilarious punch line at a moment's notice.

Which is why I said to Perkins,



pic of the past

In honour of the past weekend's Glen Dart hockey tournament in Haliburton, Joe Iles shares this photo of his former Haliburton Huskies team with us. He thinks the photo was taken in the late 1940s or early 1950s and the billboards on the wall of the old Haliburton arena bring back a lot of memories. Note that the phone numbers are 41 and 11 - there obviously weren't a lot of telephones in the village back then. He says Lakeshore Garage is now Not Quite Main Street, Darlacks is Home Hardware, Moss Robertson's store is the building that Sears just moved out of, and Chambers Motors was where Sharpley's Source for Sports is today. Sadly, only three of the people in this photo are alive today: Joe Iles, Al Blanchard and Curry Whittaker. From left are, back row: Jack Austin, Lloyd Whittaker, Stan Barjarow, Lloyd Coneybeare, Bud Dart, Ken Carnochan, Joe Iles, Ron Carnochan, Grant Kellett, Vance English and Fred Roberts. Front row: Dr. Harry Bishop, Glen Dart, Buck Baker, Al Blanchard, Creighton Feir, Harry Brown, Herb Baker, and Albert LaRue. The young mascot is Curry Whittaker. The photo was taken by Noice Bros. photo services; they were in partnership with Creighton Feir when they owned the *Minden Echo*, which became the *Haliburton County Echo*.

letters to the editor

Accusations don't win arguments

To the Editor:

Re: Good and Evil

I myself am not offended by nude drawings. I do, however, agree with David Switzer of West Guilford that there are many people who attend the Highlands Summer Festival who probably are offended by them. For that reason, and that reason alone, the drawings should not be hung in the immediate lobby during the run of the festival.

That having been said, I also know that the debate of whether the human body is the "very appearance of evil" will never be resolved.

So to Mr. Switzer, who insists on perpetuating the argument, I have this to say, and I choose my words very carefully: making wild accusations about good and evil is not the way to win an argument, it undermines your position, and makes you appear starved for attention.

Michael Johnson
Minden

Human body is a work of art

To the Editor:

This letter is a rebuttal to the opinions presented by David Switzer on nude drawings. Nude drawings are a form of art. They have been for thousands of years. How could he possibly put it in the form of evil? The human form is definitely a work of art. Look at the forms of athletes, or body builders and tell me that that is evil.

As for his claim that hundreds of people in the area share his view, I disagree. It has taken years for Ontario to finally get out of the closet. This province is about 25 years behind the rest of Canada.

I don't recall anywhere in the Bible that says the body is a form of pornography. See beauty as it should be seen, not the abject view of someone who is blind to the world around him. If Mr. Switzer's view is an example of morality, then heaven forbid those of us who can look at art and see the purity and beauty of it.

Brad Keller,
Gooderham

Boonieville by Charlie Teljeur



Switzer unapologetic for views on nude drawing

To the Editor:

I can see that because of my February 21 letter, where I express grave concerns about nude drawings being displayed in our public schools, I don't have many friends left in the art community. I believe in calling a spade a spade and don't plan on backing down one inch concerning my moral convictions.

About 30 years ago, my dad, mom, a couple of my brothers, my wife, our four children and I went to Presquile Beach for a day of swimming, sunbathing and picnicking. We weren't there very long before we realized that a man and a woman were sunbathing near us, naked as jay birds. We adults were shocked to see people being this decadent, exposing themselves on a public beach where children were. We soon complained to the park ranger and they were removed.

Michael Letki said in his February 28th letter, "Many fine high schools in Ontario encourage and even demand life drawing as part of the senior art curriculum." If this is true, I must say 'shame'. Our youngest son is a very talented artist. Ever since he was a little guy, he sat by the hour drawing pictures and when he got to high school, he entered the arts program. If the school had tried to make it mandatory that my son had to

draw naked people to pass his course, the principal and I would have come to logger heads.

If those who think there's nothing wrong with nude pictures hanging in our schools and agree with it being mandatory for art students to draw nude models, they wouldn't have any trouble with nude people parading across the public beaches of our province. Homosexuals would love this because they get great joy out of parading naked down the streets of Toronto on their Gay Pride Days.

It's time for passive Canadians to stand tall for God and our families. WE must demand that our governments, courts, and schools return to the Christian morals our nation was founded on.

Dave Switzer,
RR#1 Haliburton

One last word, please

To the Editor:

Honi Soi Qui Mal y Pense. (Old French for "shamed be the person who thinks evil of it.")

Caryl Miller
Eagle Lake

Open children's minds to beauty

To the Editor:

After reading what Mr. Switzer wrote in regards to the nude drawing display at the Northern Lights Pavilion, I realized just how close-minded and cynical people had become. To think that we live in a world where our own bodies should be thought of as evil and obscene is a terrible thought indeed. The human body is one of the most beautiful, innocent things in this world and it should not be something to be ashamed of but rather, something to be celebrated.

Why should we teach our children that their own bodies are disgusting and shameful? How is that right? As a mother, I certainly would not let my child watch a pornographic movie or peruse a pornographic magazine, but would I teach her not to appreciate the beauty of the human body when it is expressed tastefully as an art form? Absolutely

NOT!

Mr. Switzer says that it is essential for honest, caring, God-loving people to shield our children from evil, but how can we teach them those very qualities when we tell them to shut their eyes to their own physical form, and their minds to the celebration and expression of it?

So thank you, Mr. Switzer, for reminding me how important it is to teach my child open-mindedness and acceptance, so that she may grow up to be an honest, caring person.

I trust that Mr. Brohman, the principal of our high school, will have the courage and moral convictions it takes to stand up to people who want to teach our children to be narrow-minded and judgmental.

Mandy Emmerson,
Eagle Lake

Show people the costs of healthcare

To the Editor:

Apparently the Echo gets around. A couple of weeks ago I wrote a letter proposing that the provincial government issue some form of invoice or average-cost summary to Ontario citizens so they could realize what a bargain their healthcare is. A recent Toronto Star article quotes Progressive Conservative leader John Tory as proposing just that!

The Liberals, of course, say the costs of individual invoices would be very high, so I hope they compromise on sending everyone a summary that lists the average cost of office and emergency room visits, plus the average bill for various

major surgeries, hospital stays in intensive care and regular rooms — just so people can grasp the costs and how our system protects them.

I didn't agree with the annual service charge — the health tax that McGuinty stuck in — but I didn't agree with the earlier Liberal government who ran on the platform of dropping it in the first place. Now, unless Ottawa actually does transfer more money, I see it as a necessary evil that taxes those that can afford it and exempts those that cannot. But first, let's tell people what they are getting for their money.

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Expanded Sears outlet chooses Food for Kids as prime charity

MARTHA PERKINS/ECHO



Karen Phipps and Rosie Kadwell of Food for Kids gratefully accepted a cheque for \$2,000 from Angela and Martin Russell, owners of the Sears outlet which now stocks a full range of appliances and electronics at their new location on Hwy 118 at the Harburn Road.

To help Martin and Angela Russell celebrate the expansion of their Sears store in Haliburton, Sears Young Futures has donated \$2,000 to Haliburton County's Food for Kids program.

Up until last week, the Russells operated their business primarily for catalogue purchases. Now they offer a wide selection of major appliances, electronics, vacuums, lawn and garden products and Sears' full assortment of National branded merchandise at their new location.

Last year, the Russells moved their store from Haliburton's main street to Hwy. 118 at the Harburn Road. This new home provides 5,200 sq. ft of showroom space.

It will still operate as the place where people can pick up their catalogue purchases.

Sears Young Futures is a program offered by Sears Canada to promote

community investment and support of organizations that provide after-school programs for children and youth.

The Russells have chosen Food for Kids as their primary charity because it reaches every child in the county.

Food for Kids provides 3,200 healthy snacks and breakfasts each week for all students of Haliburton County. Teachers,

principals, school trustees all value school nourishment programs and echo what research has been saying: students that are well fed learn better, can focus better and are less disruptive in the classroom.

"In the long-run everybody wins," says health unit dietician Rosie Kadwell, one of the program organizers. "The students

themselves love the program and enjoy eating fresh fruits and vegetables with classmates."

Food for Kids welcomes Sears as a new partner and encourages other businesses to become a partner. To learn more contact co-ordinator Karen Phipps at 457-1391 ext 246 or e-mail khipps@haliburton.hkpr.on.ca

Co-worker sets up fund for injured logger

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meeting with him on Monday to see what can be done. There is also fluid leaking on the brain, says Graham, who went to see his co-worker on Saturday. While everyone else was shocked by Graham's appearance, Keller says he was

looking a lot better than at the time of the accident.

Pat Casey went to visit Graham on Friday night and is relieved the injuries, while serious, are not life-threatening. "He seems to be very lucky."

Casey praised the excellent work of paramedics who got Graham out of the

bush and to hospital very quickly, having also called for the air ambulance in advance.

Graham is married with a son and a daughter. Keller has started to collect money to help the family through Joe's long recovery. If you would like to contribute, please call Keller at 447-2391.

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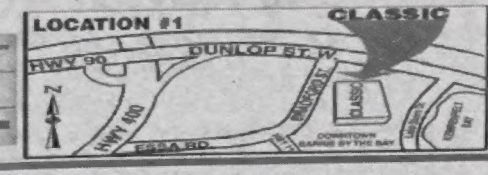
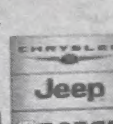
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Volunteers can bring education to life at Children's Water Festival

RICK WHITTEKER

Special to The Echo

What do you get when you mix hundreds of children doing activities in the outdoors and add just a pinch of water? Well, you get the Haliburton-Muskoka Children's Water Festival, a wonderful blend of activity and learning which took place last September at Kinark Outdoor Centre. Almost 1,000 students from Grades 3 to 6 participated over three days and what a splashing success it was.

Why offer a water festival? Teaching young people about the value of clean, fresh water will pay great dividends in the future. In Ontario, about 17 per cent of our province is covered with fresh water, the envy of many states and countries. In addition, we have the perpetual thunder of Niagara Falls acting as a provincial tourism symbol, helping create a perception that there is an

inexhaustible and limitless bounty of fresh water in the province. Indeed, we are lucky to have so much accessible water.

However, we must be careful not to take it for granted; the Walkerton tragedy taught us that lesson. Furthermore, as water shortages become more and more part of world news, it is time to take local water issues seriously.

Water sustains all life and water festivals are a fun way to teach children about all aspects of water. Local water issues are addressed under themes which include water protection, science, ecology and conservation. Over 30 activity-based centres are used to teach about these different water themes. Each activity centre focuses on one particular theme and stresses two or three key learning messages. Groups of up to six students and one adult visit several activity centres that are best suited to their grade level and the learning objectives of the classroom teacher. Give these centres catchy names like The

A-mazing Aquifer, Mother Nature's Respirator, Pioneer Water Race and Septic Sights and just watch the enthusiasm and interest build as students make their way from one activity centre to the next.

The Haliburton-Muskoka Water Festival committee has started planning for 2006. Limiting participation to 400 students per day, the festival is scheduled for September 27-29 and is sure to be another great success.

However, there is a lot of work to do. Filling out grant proposals, designing more activity centres, organizing hundreds of volunteers, fund raising, securing "in kind" donations and organizing food, tents and picnic tables are just a few of the tasks ahead. Even entertainment has to be arranged.

Watch for future articles in the Echo on volunteers, the activity centres and student and teacher experiences. Perhaps you might even want to get involved in our very own Children's Water Festival in 2006. Contact 457-9664 for details and ask for Kyla.

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Early days of HHSS were 'not easy'

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serious work of improving local healthcare services began.

"In those days we were, week after week, shooting ourselves in the foot," he recounted as the guest speaker at the anniversary celebration. "Essentially the public message was that we'd never get to the point of rebuilding our hospitals because the Ministry of Health would be able to play one community against the other forever. Board meetings were rather tense; it seemed like people were setting traps for one another."

"There was a high degree of trust and misunderstanding, as well as a wish for each community to preserve what they had always had."

Loucks' job was made much more difficult when, just before he arrived in April of 1995, all of the doctors at the Minden Lions Medical Centre decided to leave the area.

The Ministry of Health added to the fear by, for a short time, reducing the number of hours that the Minden emergency department was open from 24 hours a day to 12. The hue and cry was deafening.

Loucks had two masters: the HHHS board and the board of St. Joseph's Hospital in Peterborough. St. Joseph's had bought both the Haliburton and Minden Hospitals from the Red Cross and while it was committed to providing safe and good quality services, its views on the level of service could sometimes differ.

Caught in the middle, Loucks was supposed to carry the message to Peterborough that more services were needed and on the return trip, tell local board members that some services would have to be cut.

"These were not easy days," he noted drolly.

After successfully lobbying to get funding for 24-hour service restored at the Minden Hospital, HHHS was able to negotiate an agreement with Dr. Fiddler to staff the department round the clock.

More lobbying was done to make a better deal with the doctors at the Haliburton Medical Centre who provided 24-hour service at the Haliburton Hospital's emergency department. "They needed to be recognized and adequately compensated for their time."

To improve service for both patients and doctors, HHHS then negotiated an arrangement with MDS Laboratories for testing. Until then, tests had to be sent to St. Joseph's and it could be days to get "rather important results." By contracting the service to a company that already had an office in Haliburton, "the service was enormously improved."

Then there was the problem of a lack of an office. In those early days Loucks was an administration of one. He used whatever space he could find at the hospitals and then the county came through by offering space at the bottom of the registry office in Minden.

Now he needed to hire more staff. He had heard about the accounting abilities of Cathy Outram, but she had read about all the dissension in the newspaper and was leery at first. She turned out to be one of the HHHS's strongest assets.

Arranging meetings and doing all the paperwork turned out to be a time-consuming task so Loucks was then very grateful to be able to hire Betty Russell. He particularly appreciated "her skill at reading the situa-



Founding CEO Foster Loucks modelled his new beard.



Former MPP Chris Hodgson used the anniversary to visit with Haliburton friends such as former board member Ken Wilson and his wife Dorothy.

tion and not picking any fight that didn't need to be fought."

(Later in the evening, present-day CEO Keith Sansford also sang Russell's praises as he announced her retirement. "You are kind, you are helpful, you are a peacemaker and you are a shining example of what is good about HHHS," he told her.)

Loucks' dream of an integrated health service was enhanced when mental health counselling came under the HHHS banner, as well as supportive housing.

When it came time for HHHS's first annual general meeting, a rumour spread that everyone in Minden was buying a membership. That led everyone in Haliburton to buy a membership, too. For the first AGM, there were 975 members. Today there's only a fraction of that.

The world became a lot brighter when the Ministry of Health announced it would fund the expansion of both the Minden and Haliburton facilities. There were a few caveats, however: the old, wood-frame Minden Hospital had to be closed and all the acute care beds would go to Haliburton. Minden would keep its 24-hour emergency department and Hyland Crest would be upgraded, although no new beds would be added. Haliburton would get the 30 long-term care beds.

Not wanting to have to wait until the community's portion of the cost (which eventually rose to \$20 million) was raised before construction could start, and doubting that the community had faith the projects would go ahead, the county agreed to pay the interest on a loan. (The province had previously pulled out of an agreement to build an 18-bed long-term care unit after \$700,000 had been raised. That money went to pay for the new projects.)

Chris Hodgson's help at this time was immeasurable. It helped that he was Chair of the Management Board at Queen's Park. Not only did he help see the capital projects through to the approval stage, but he also went to bat for the county as costs escalated and needs arose.

"When we were down to the one-yard line, Chris pushed the ball over," Loucks said.

The HHHS was always under funded - until Hodgson helped improve base-line funding as a parting gift before he retired from politics - but everyone pulled together to make do with what they had.

"Today, the community can be proud of what it has accomplished," Loucks said. "We've come from a position of chronic doubt to enthusiastic belief that we can improve our services."

In his impromptu speech, Hodgson recounted how his involvement began 14 years ago. When he first entered politics as reeve of Dysart et al, improving healthcare was one of his three goals. He was also on the board that was a precursor to the HHHS and lobbied the province for funding. When he ran as a

Conservative in a 1994 by-election, he told Conservative leader Mike Harris about the need to protect and enhance healthcare services in rural areas. Harris listened and it became one of the party's platforms in the 1995 election that brought the Tories, and Hodgson, to power.

Back at home in Haliburton, Hodgson said his first task was to get the late Doug Campbell, a vocal member of the healthcare board from Minden, to trust him. Then, when funding came through, the board was blessed to have Hugh Nichol lead the expansion process. "Foster and Hugh were the dynamic duo. Hugh was a driver, Foster was peacemaker."

Looking back on those early tumultuous times, and remarking on the excellent facilities the county has today, Hodgson said, "It shows what can happen when people pull together. We've got great buildings but we've got even better people."



Betty Russell arrived at HHHS shortly after it was formed to help founding CEO Foster Loucks. Now she, too, is retiring.



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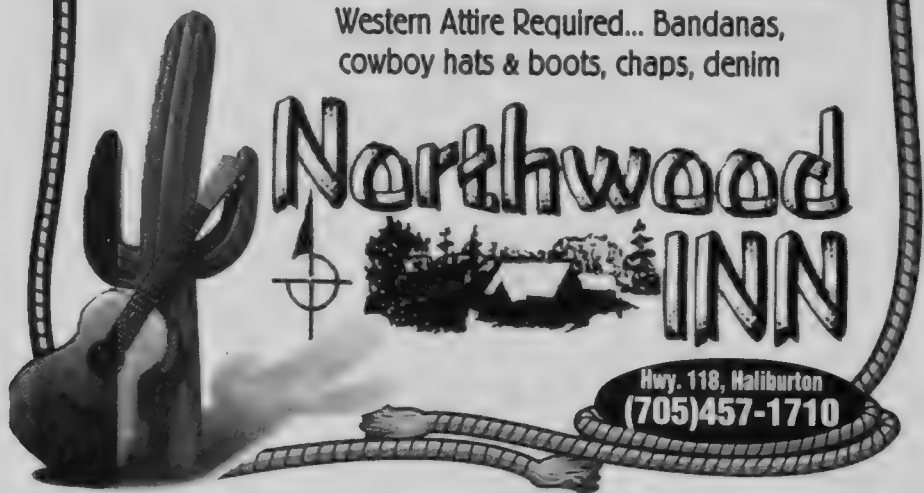
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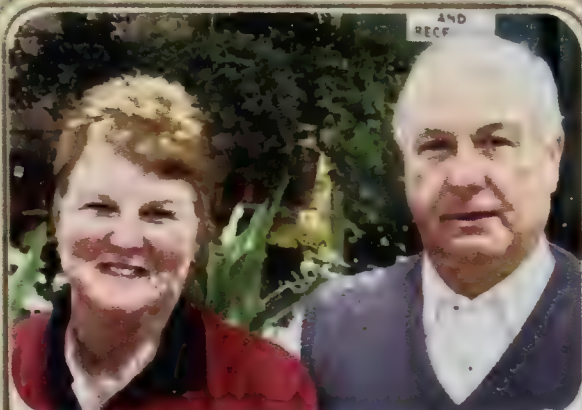
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The senior boys team had a strong finish with Scott Fennell second, Joe Gallagher third and Jeff Brand seventh. All three will be competing in the provincials at Beaver Valley.

The junior girls team came second in overall results thanks to good times posted by Christiana Walker, who came in fourth, Kelsey Haley, 6th and Alysha Costain, eighth. All three advance.

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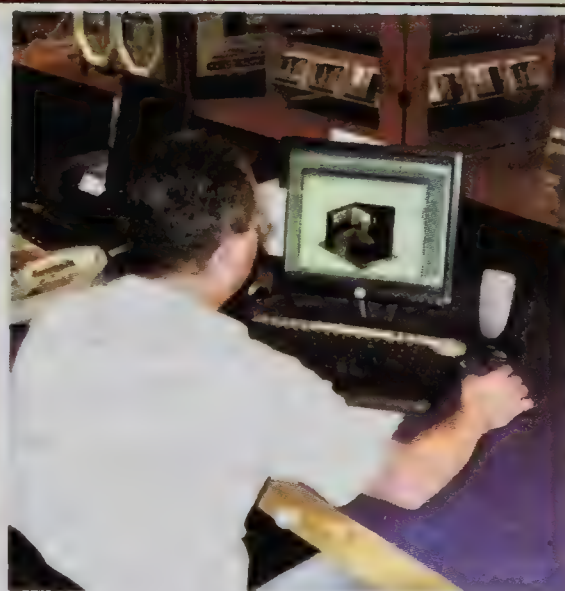
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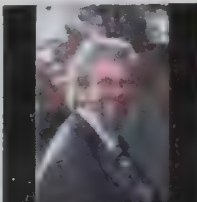
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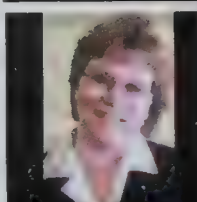
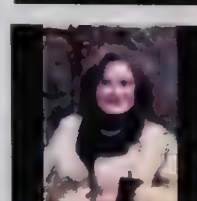
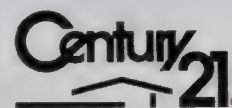
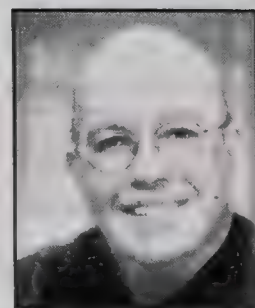
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Twenty-four wrestlers from HHSS had advanced to the COSSA by placing in the top four of their respective weight class at the Kawartha Wrestling Championships held in Haliburton the previous week. In the fourth year of running the wrestling program, Coaches Fockler and Klose looked to improve team results over the previous season. The team goal was met with 10 Red Hawk wrestlers ranking in the top four of their weight category in the COSSA region.

Some of the best matches of the season were wrestled at this tournament as athletes battled for a chance to compete at the Ontario finals.

In the Girls' Division, senior wrestlers led the way to rank in the top half of the field. Sara Lacy (47.5 kg) had her best tournament of the season to earn a bronze medal. Veteran wrestler, Rebecca Ide (77 kg) faced the eventual champion in her first match, placing her on the consolation side of the draw. She battled back to win the bronze medal and the right to challenge the second place finisher for the right to advance to OFSAA. After two rounds in a hard-fought challenge match, Ide narrowly lost by one



Four Red Hawk wrestlers qualified for the OFSAA Wrestling Championships in Sarnia: Julie Johnston, Chris Bryan, Jackie Grech and Kalem Kyle. Photo submitted.

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Tykes - Playing for Tri-county Championship
Saturday: Storm 2 Cannington 0
Lead series 1-0

Novices - Muskoka Parry Sound Playoffs
Friday: Storm 2 Bracebridge 1
Sunday: Storm 5 Bracebridge 3
Won Series 2-0

Atom Rep - OMHA Semi-final
Saturday: Tavistock 2 Storm 1
Sunday: Storm 3 Tavistock 1 Series Tied 1-1
Game 3: Friday Mar 10 in Haliburton at 7 p.m.
Game 4: Sat Mar 11 in Minden at 2:30 p.m.

Atom AE - OMHA Semi-final
Saturday: Lakefield 5 Storm 1
Sunday: Lakefield 7 Storm 5
Lost series 3-0

Midget AE - OMHA Semi-final
Saturday: Storm 8 Almaguin 2
Sunday: Storm 7 Almaguin 0
Game 3: Friday Mar 10 in Haliburton 8:30pm
Game 4: Saturday Mar 11 in Burk's Falls at 2 p.m. if necessary.

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Highland Storm looks toward busy playoffs

Tykes Tri-County Championships
Game 2 - March 12 at Cannington 6:30 p.m.
Game 3 - March 16 at Cannington 7 p.m.
Game 4 - March 19 at Minden 10 a.m.
Game 5 - March 26 at Minden 10 a.m.

Atom AE semi-finals vs Lakefield
Sat Mar 11 5:30 p.m. in Minden
Sun Mar. 12 2:30 p.m. in Lakefield
Tues. Mar 14 6:30 p.m. in Haliburton

Midget AE schedule (tentative) semi-finals
Fri Mar 10 at 8:30 p.m. in Haliburton

Sat Mar 11 at 2:00 p.m. in Burks Falls
Sun. mar 12 at 4:30 p.m. in Haliburton

Atom Rep semi-finals best 3 out of
Mar 10 7:00 p.m. at Haliburton
Mar. 11 2:30 p.m. at Minden
Mar. 12 2:00pm p.m. at Tavistock
Mar. 14 6:30 p.m. at Minden

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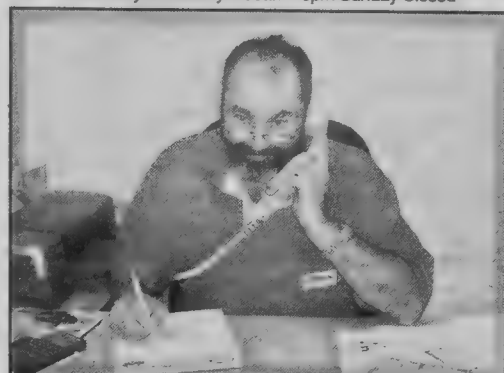
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Flag football is coming to Highlands

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

A former Red Hawks linebacker is passing his passion for football on to the youth of Haliburton County with a new flag football league.

"I like the speed of the game," says league organizer Conrad Flatman. "Football demands that you do your best on every play and it pushes you in that sense." With the co-operation of Ontario Tackle Football, Flatman is bringing the CFL/NFL-sanctioned flag football league to Haliburton County. It's for youth in grades 6 to 8, aged 11 to 13. Every registered player will receive an official CFL/NFL jersey. Cleats, soccer-type shoes, are recommended, but not a requisite.

The eight-week season will run from June 1 and end on July 20. Preceded by 30 minutes of skills, the games will be every Thursday night, from 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School's football field.

The registration fee per player is \$35. Registration day is scheduled from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at the Haliburton Royal Canadian Legion on Saturday, March 11.

Flatman will limit the league to 28 players for the first year, keeping the teams to seven each with five playing at a time. The game will concentrate on passing plays and will touch on simple pass routes. To keep the game moving he's limited the game to three plays to get to the field then three plays to score after midfield. Teams will start at the five-yard line unless there is an interception.

Flatman believes the player limit is a manageable number, but sees a future when the league can grow to 40 players.

The idea to start the league came this past September, motivated by Flatman's personal desire to give back to the community that has provided him with so many athletic opportunities, including playing football catch with his brother Damon. They had barely begun to play when a small group of boys joined them.

"I was served very well by the high school program. You can play hockey before high school. You can play soccer before high school. With Roland Zilla, you can play basketball before high school, but there's never been a football grassroots program so that's why I want to fill that void in this community," Flatman says.

The multi-talented athlete plays basketball, and had played competitive rugby for four seasons in high school in the football off season. Flatman also helped coach for six years in the Stanhope Youth Soccer League. "I feel I've taken a lot from this community in a lot of ways. I played some soccer and I played a lot of high school sports. If we all take and give back it balances things out."

For further information e-mail Flatman at 5bv@brocku.ca or telephone (905) 688-5550.



League organizer Conrad Flatman and his brother Damon are excited about the first season of flag football, expected to be played at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School football field this coming spring. Photo, Darren Lum.

Novices are champions

BERNE UPTON

Special to the Echo

On Saturday, February 25 the Highland Storm Novices, sponsored by Churko Electric and GJ Burch Construction, travelled to Campbellford for Game 5 of the Eastern Ontario Championships. With the Storm leading the series three games to one, they knew that one more win would clinch the championship.

The Storm got off to a good start with Braydin Hollows scoring six minutes into the game assisted by Braden Roberts and Devon Upton. Not to be denied, Campbellford tied the game up two minutes later and that is how the first period ended.

Campbellford came out smoking in the second period scoring two minutes in and dominated most of the play. They added another goal with five minutes left in the period to take a 3-1 lead. If it wasn't for the stellar goal-tending by Logan Churko and great defensive play by Owen Flood, Joel Fedeski, Connor Gadway and Curtis Ballantyne the score could have been much worse.

The Storm fought back with a goal late in the period. It was Hollows notching his second of the game assisted by Upton and William Stephenson.

The boys entered the break down 3-2 and got a few kind words from the coaches trying to rally the boys to victory. The third period saw the Storm playing much

better with a great forecheck going but it was Campbellford who scored first to take a 4-2 lead. The boys were down to eight minutes to play but with a never-say-die attitude the Storm kept plugging away and it was Flood who started the scoring on a nice shot from the point assisted by Blake Wood. This seemed to spark the troops and it was Upton who tied the score on a breakaway with a nice pass from Ballantyne and Roberts.

The Cardiac Kids kept up the hard work and with 1:33 left on the clock, Hunter Bishop got a breakaway and scored the biggest goal of his career to date.

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Crowd goes into a frenzy

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Campbellford pulled their goalie and had a good chance to score but Churko held the fort and this enabled Upton to score his second of the game assisted by Ballantyne into an empty net. With that

the crowd went into a frenzy and the Storm had secured the championship.

This was a hard-fought series and a great effort from both teams and it is a shame that there had to be a loser.

A special thanks goes out to all the

parents, siblings, grandparents, aunts, uncles and fans in general who made the trip to Campbellford on a nasty day and made the game feel like a home game to the boys. It is a day that soon won't be forgotten.



The Highland Storm Novices are on a winning streak. Losing only one game in their regular season, they won both the Lobster Cup, above, and their more recent playoff series with Parry Sound/Muskoka. The team is as follows. Lying down is goalie Logan Churko. Front row from left: Braden Roberts, Owen Flood, Braydin Hollows, Blake Wood and Connor Gadway. Middle row: Joel Fedeski, Hunter Bishop, Curtis Ballantyne, William Stephenson and Devon Upton. Back row: Manager Don Stephenson, Trainer Brent Flood, Coach Bernie Upton, Assistant Coach Dave Hollows and Assistant Trainer John Fedeski. Photo submitted.

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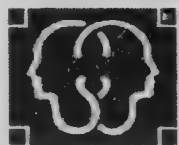
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The Troupe is pleased to take part in this fundraiser to help the History Group in Highland Grove restore the old Cheddar log school house. Performances followed by refreshments are on Saturday, March 11 at 7:30 in the evening and on Sunday afternoon March 12 at 2 p.m.

The "Funeral Tea" by Pat Wilson will feature in the cast Marg Jeske as Sarah Starkie and Hilda Clark as Martha Murgatroyd, nieces of the deceased Jacob Starkie. Their friend, Miss Parker is played by Shirley Riley, with Gerda Goverde as Mrs. Ellis, the caterer of the tea, and Elsie Lewis as Mrs. Booth, an old lady who enjoys funerals. Flo Elliott is directing. All of them, as well as the audience, wonder what is in the tea they are drinking.

A second short play, "Sports Legend" is a touch more serious. It will have Dan Linkert playing Vern, the "sports legend" and Hilda Clark as the coach in the cast.

Sundays' program will also include some musical numbers by Al Blanchard and some of his Highland Grove friends. Do join the fun and support a good project.

A mixed bonspiel at the Wilberforce Curling Club on March 3 and 4, drew eight teams for some keen curling.

Convenor Joe Martinek, now recovered from knee surgery, reports that the 'spiel went ell.

The winning team, way out in front with 52 points was that of Frank MacLeod, Nancy Gadway, Enid MacLeod and Bob Cumming. In second place was the team of Brian Monaghan and Jim Donovan with 36-1/2 points. Hot on their heels in third place was the Gerda Goverde team with Manfred Stetler, Kim Covert and Joan Clark with 35-1/2 points.

In addition to the action on the ice, participants enjoyed good food throughout the bonspiel. Food convenor Nadia Martinek appreciated the contributions and help from so many club members. And the club appreciates Nadia and Joe's efforts in convening the spiel. Since this was a "Bring a prize, Win a prize" tournament, all player took home a prize.

A pleasant company of people partook of the Shrove Tuesday Luncheon of pancakes and sausages here. It was presented at St. Margaret's Anglican on February 28 by the church women. They were grateful for the clear sunny day which enabled folks to get there safely.

Though regular pancakes with syrup were still the favourite lunch some diners enjoyed sampling blueberry and pumpkin pancakes and corn flapjacks. It was great to have so many from the community enjoying themselves over lunch.

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wilberforce

Hilda Clark
448-2018



Subscribing to reading

Now that they can't sell chocolate bars as part of the school's boards policy on healthy eating, the students at Wilberforce Elementary School are turning to magazine sales to raise money for their school. Forty per cent of the subscription costs will be given to the school. As Cole Finlay discovered, much to his delight, there are plenty of prizes to be won as incentives.

World Day of Prayer adds drama to annual event

Time this past week was taken up in co-ordinating the World Day of Prayer. Thanks to all who gave me help when I asked for it. Those who participated from this are were the Rev. Margaret Milne who read the final page of the service and closed the service with the blessing and also participated in the dramatic presentation "Out of the Valley of Bones", along with Barb Fawcett and Dr. Diana Johnson. Ross Curtis of the Claridge menage and Damon Flatman of Haliburton acted the part of Investigators in the drama, to good effect.

Rosemarie Cook capably assisted in the refreshments area along with Ave Petch and Jean Clark.

Stanhope is close enough to Guilford to be included sometimes in this column.

The Maple Lake community has lost another resident in the person of Leroy Eager, husband of Marvel Welch. Leroy was on school board for 12 years and drove school bus for 20+ years. In former years he was proprietor of Welch's Store

in Maple Lake. Our sympathy to all who held him dear, especially Marvel.

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west guilford

Eleanor Cooper
754-2388

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Youngsters' boats really do float

It's an exciting time for school children

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Valerie Smith
449-2844

What exciting times and opportunities there are for young learners in schools! Over the past couple of weeks hundreds of young students had the opportunity to take part in an exciting and fun event called the Cardboard Boat Race Challenge. That's right I did say cardboard. Teams of four students constructed a boat out of two sheets of cardboard, duct tape, contact cement and they raced their boats. The boats were judged for creativity, team work and how much the boats were capable of holding. Not only did the boats float but some were able to hold more than 600 pounds. A fun way to learn.

These past two weeks have marked another exciting opportunity for our young learners. Schools have held their public speaking speak-offs sponsored by local branches of the Royal Canadian Legions. Wilberforce Branch 624 has for many years played an active and significant role in helping the Wilberforce Elementary students learn how to develop public speaking skills that they will carry on into their adult lives. A component of the school curriculum is to help students become better at writing, editing and presenting.

In the Grade 3 and under category, Tyler Cassey did very well and his love for his dog Buddy was evident throughout his entire speech. Victor Townsend's speech centered on his family and his trip to neighbour Chester's farm where he helped his family choose some baby

piglets. Both Tyler and Victor's speeches demonstrated originality and thought. Cats and Kittens by Patricia Savard was very well organized and she did an excellent job at engaging her audience through posing questions to them. Her grasp and knowledge of cats and kittens was outstanding. Jade Stickwood filled us in on the antics of her pet Jack Russell Terrier while Tyler Mathing's very imaginative speech on Biggy and Minnie lead us down a very adventurous path filled with a fire breathing dragon and a giant.

In the Grade 4 and up category, Christina Berning delivered a very well researched speech on monarch butterflies. She was extremely comfortable with her material and her audience. Samantha Vanier spoke on a topic that many young people are familiar with and that is bullying. Her presentation came from the heart and captured the audiences' attention. Ryan Galea did very well with his presentation on imagination and Albert Einstein. Nikki Wingrove was "tickled pink" as she delivered her very novel speech on her favourite colour, pink. I agree with Nikki that pink is sweet, soft and makes you think of sugar and spice and everything nice. Beth Waugh delivered a very original speech on security that included the trials and tribulations of doing security checks on cottages with her father. Shenese Alden presented a great deal of information in her well-researched speech on kingfishers.

And who were the winners? I feel that each child won. The young people who competed made great presentations and were an inspiration for their fellow students. They gained self-confidence in public speaking; they demonstrated leadership skills; and set an example on

how to be an effective speaker before their peers and community. Congratulations on a job well done are extended to each child who participated.

These competitions are not only a wonderful opportunity for the students to refine their public speaking skills; they also help develop a sense of community with the adult members of Branch 624. We are so fortunate to have an active branch in our area and volunteers who work so diligently for the

well-being of our young people. We thank Legion Branch President, Dave Burton, Youth and Education Officer Bonnie Jessup, judges Gail Driscoll, Kelly Jones and Valerie Smith, scrutineers Bob Anderson, Robert Rideout and Mel Smith and timekeeper Margaret Rideout.

Parents please note that this week marks the beginning of the Trillium

See **Battle** page 24

CAREER & EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES



The Haliburton Highlands Chamber Of Commerce is seeking a Licensed Public Accountant to conduct our annual audit of the accounting records in accordance with Canadian Generally Accepted Auditing Standards and issue an audit report on the year-end financial statements

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The Auditor will also be required to prepare the year-end financial statements and the annual Corporation Tax Return Policy.

For more information, or to submit a proposal, please contact the Haliburton Highlands Chamber Of Commerce.

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MUNICIPALITY OF DYSART ET AL REQUIRES A FULL TIME EQUIPMENT OPERATOR - ROADS DEPARTMENT

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Qualified candidates are encouraged to submit a detailed resume to the undersigned by noon on Wednesday, March 22, 2006.

Tammy McKelvey, A.M.C.T.
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MUNICIPALITY OF DYSART ET AL REQUIRES A BUILDING INSPECTOR

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The successful applicant must have the required certificate for General Legal/Process and House or Small Buildings by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing or have obtained this certification by June 1st, 2006 to maintain employment.

A detailed job description is available upon request.

Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and is currently under review.

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- **Mar. 7:** Ontario Early Years Minden Family Supper Night is taking place on Mar. 7th for families with children 0-6 years. While enjoying a nutritious meal with your child join us for information on Home Safety - where to check for dangers within the home. Please call to register by Monday, Mar. 6th, at 286-1770.
- **Mar. 8:** Tall Oaks Christian Academy is hosting an information evening Wed., Mar. 8 at 7:30 p.m. at the United Church in Haliburton. Applications for fall 2006 are now available. Come to the information evening to learn more about this unique school community.
- **Mar. 9:** Join us at That Place in Carnarvon for lunch with Barry Grills, former chair of The Writers' Union of Canada. Barry will share his insights, views and stories about the world of writing and well known authors he has met. This lunch is featured by the Writer in Residence Programs of the Minden Hills Cultural Centre and the Dorset Branch of the Haliburton Public Library. Tickets are available at Kitchens Etc. in Haliburton. The Storeroom in Minden and the Agnew Jamieson Gallery. Call Tiina Heathcock for more information at (705) 766-9993.
- **Mar. 9:** Ontario Early Years Haliburton Family Supper Night is taking place on Mar. 9th for families with children 0-6 years. While enjoying a nutritious meal with your child join us for information on Home Safety - where to check for dangers within the home. Please call to register by Wednesday, Mar. 8th, at 457-2989.
- **Mar. 9:** Fleming College - 7 p.m. Carolyn Coburn of Environment Haliburton EH! a not-for-profit corporation concerned with the health of the local natural environment, will speak about EH's history, accomplishments and ongoing work. All are welcome.
- **Mar. 9:** Minden Well Baby Drop-in Clinic. Visit with a Family Health nurse to see how your baby is growing and developing. Held at the Ontario Early Years Centre in Minden (inside Sears Building) from 10 a.m. to noon. For more information, call the Health Unit at 457-1391.
- **Mar. 10:** Free Public Skating at the Minden Arena, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Sponsored by Modern Electric.

ON GOING EVENTS

- **Attention All Dads:** Have an adventure with your child this Saturday and visit the Ontario Early Years Centre in Haliburton. Fathers who drop by enjoy building castles in the construction zone and creating masterpieces in the art room. We are open Saturdays from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more info please call 457-2989.
- **Do you like to sing?** No experience necessary. Outloud Womyn's voices invites all women to join them every Tuesday at 6 p.m. Meetings held at the Zion United Church in Carnarvon. For further information, call Beth at 754-9558.
- **Community Care** has a trip planned for May 24 to the World Premier performance of The Lord of the Rings. This trip includes transportation by highway coach, tickets in row D, E, & F in the dress circle section of the Princess of Wales Theatre, and a delicious dinner at the Town and Country Restaurant. To travel with Community Care you must be a Trip Club Member, please call to find out more information about this trip club. Call 457-2941.
- **Wednesdays - Aquasize classes** have now begun. Community Care still has spots open for the Wednesday classes. Enjoy low impact exercises in the water. Classes are one hour in length and take place at the Wigamog Inn. Please call Ida for more information 457-2941.
- **Tuesday evenings at Camp Medeba** in West Guilford. Started Jan. 10 - end of April. Families 6:30 - 8 p.m. (children and parents climb together). Youth and Adults 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. Drop-in Indoor Rock Climbing. Everyone welcome! Children 13 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Parental permission required for youth under 18 years. For more information and cost please call Donna at Family Services of Haliburton County. 457-5345 ext. 314.

Events listings are provided **FREE** for non-profit groups on a space-available basis. While we endeavour to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Echo at 457-3275, emailed to editor@haliburtonecho.ca, or brought in to the office. **Please submit events by the Thursday prior to the requested publication date.**
NOTE: This calendar is not a comprehensive listing of all events taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in the Echo for more information on events in the Highlands.

Battle of the Books gets students reading

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Lakelands Battle of the Books. This motivational reading program is sponsored by the Program Enhancement Fund that was established by Trillium Lakelands District School Board to generate innovative ideas to enhance education within the system.

During the Battle of the Books hundreds of junior and Intermediate students will participate in the reading program. Students will read books from a pre-selected list and then compete in teams of four members to correctly answer questions. Individual school battles will take place during the weeks of April 18 to 28 to determine who goes on to a zone battle. Junior Zone Battles will take place on May 1 and Intermediate battles will take place on May 2.

The TLDSB Grand Finale Battle of the Books will take place at Pine Glen Public School on May 4.

Just another fun thing that expands student learning opportunities and will result in improved student reading.

March 11 at 7:30 p.m. and on Sunday,

March 12 at 2:00 p.m. the Highland Grove Recreation Centre is holding a very special fundraising event to raise funds to restore the old Cheddar Log School. The Loop Troupe will be on hand to perform a one-act play called Funeral Tea by Pat Wilson. Five prim and proper English ladies sit down to sip a cup of tea while discussing dear Uncle Jacob's demise. When they are suddenly faced with the dilemma they cannot locate his ashes. What a quandary! Come help them find the solution to this most hilariously, unusual predicament.

If you have any item of interest to share and you wish to submit it for the next feature of the Harcourt and Community News, please e-mail vsmith.rhapsody@sympatico.ca or call 705 448-3640.

Upcoming Events for the Harcourt Community Centre:

March 8: Bingo starting at 7:30 p.m. For more information call Debbie Shatraw at 448 - 3155.

March 9: Progressive Euchre starting at 7:30 p.m. For further information please call Mel Smith at 448-3640.

Talented young people share their knowledge at speaking contest

Fifteen talented and brave young people delivered a wide range of speeches at the Legion Hall on Sunday, Feb. 26. The speeches ran the gamut from dolphins to Dracula to drug abuse to Disneyland.

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After carefully assessing each person's speech, the judges awarded first place to the following:

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- Grades 1, 2, 3: Rebecca Kidd.
- Grades 4, 5, 6: Jessica Bishop.
- Grades 7, 8, 9: Riley Maracle
- Grades 10, 11, 12: David Wright.

All of the young people who spoke are to be congratulated. It takes a lot of time, research and practice to reach this level of competence. Thanks also to the parent

and teachers who have encouraged and listened to all the speakers.

The Legion would like to thank the judges who volunteered their time and expertise, judges were: Jerry Palmer, Paul Johnson, Suzanne Sovereign and Dave Sovereign.

Thanks also to the Legionnaires who gave so willingly of their time and efforts to make this day such a success.

All of the first place winners go on now to the Zone finals to be held on Saturday, March 18 starting at 1 p.m.

Local winners will be honoured at the Haliburton Legion Awards Night on Friday, May 26 at 7 p.m.



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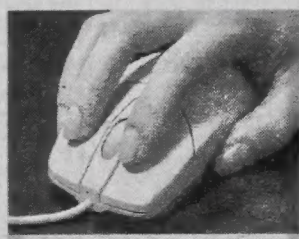


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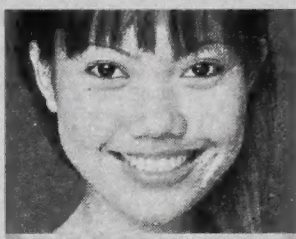
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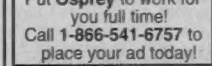
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AND TAKE NOTICE that after the last date named, the assets of the said Estate will be distributed amongst the persons entitled hereto by the Estate Trustee of the Estate, having regard only to the claims of which the solicitor below shall have notice.

DATED at Haliburton, Ontario this 17th day of February 2006. RAYMOND G. SELBIE, Barrister, Solicitor, P.O. Box 186, Haliburton, Ontario K0M 1S0

NOTICE TO CREDITOR AND OTHERS
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LATE JOHN BOYD MUISE

All creditors and others having claims against the Estate of JOHN BOYD MUISE, late, of the Township of Minden, in the County of Haliburton, who died on or about the 10th day of February 2006, are required to file the particulars of such claim with undersigned solicitor for the said Estate on or before the 14th day of March 2006.

AND TAKE NOTICE that after the last date named, the assets of the said Estate will be distributed amongst the persons entitled hereto by the Estate Trustee of the Estate, having regard only to the claims of which the solicitor below shall have notice.

DATED at Haliburton, Ontario this 17th day of February 2006. RAYMOND G. SELBIE, Barrister, Solicitor, P.O. Box 186, Haliburton, Ontario K0M 1S0

NOTICE TO
CREDITORS AND OTHERS

In the matter of the Estate of DOROTHY J. MCKNIGHT deceased. All creditors and others having claims against the Estate of DOROTHY J. MCKNIGHT, late of the township of Dysart, in the County of Haliburton, who died on or about the 10th day of August 2000, are required to file the particulars of such claims with the undersigned solicitor for the said Estate on or before the 30th day of March, 2006.

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DATED at Haliburton, Ontario this 16th day of February 2006 by BISHOP AND ROGERS, Barrister and Solicitor, P.O. Box 472, Haliburton, Ontario K0M 1S0. Solicitor for the Executor of the Estate of Dorothy J. McKnight.

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DATED at Haliburton, Ontario this 16th day of February, 2006 by BISHOP AND ROGERS, Barrister and Solicitor, P.O. Box 472, Haliburton, Ontario, K0M 1S0.
Solicitor for the Executor of the estate of Kenneth Cyrus McKnight.

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It takes a lot of people who are willing to give up their time to put something this huge together and very seldom get thanks back. Instead we hear of the things we could be doing to make it better. Often it is the undo criticisms that cause people to back away from being involved in Centre projects. Every event could possibly be improved in some way or another but to everyone who helped with either the registering of riders, in the kitchen, the bar, putting up signs, doing check points, picking up prizes, selling tickets or clean up, we thank you so much and hope to see you all back next year. -Snow Shuffle Committee.

Obituaries

EAGER, LEROY
(Resident of Maple Lake, Former Proprietor of Welch's Store, Maple Lake)

At Haliburton Hospital on Sunday afternoon, February 26, 2006 in his 78th year. Beloved husband of Marvel Welch. Loving father of Karen Eager of Maple Lake & Thomas Eager and his wife Patricia of Toronto. Fondly remembered by his grandchildren Matthew & Sara. Predeceased by his sister Marjorie Jones. Also remembered by his nephews Robert & David and his niece Lori Ann. Leroy drove a school bus for over 20 years and was a Trustee with the Haliburton County Board of Education where he served for over twelve years.

Visitation and Funeral Service
Friends were invited to call at the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy #118 Haliburton, Ontario (705)457-9209 on Friday afternoon, March 3, 2006 from 2-4 p.m., and on Saturday morning, March 4, 2006 from 10 o'clock until time of Funeral Service in the Chapel at 11 o'clock. Interment held at St. Peter's Anglican Church Cemetery, Maple lake. As expressions of sympathy donations to the Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated by the family. www.communityfuneralhomes.com.

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Card of thanks

The Family of - The late Doug Carpenter would like to thank their family, friends and neighbors for their prayers, cards, food, flowers, donations and calls while Doug was sick and at the time of his death. Thanks to the staff of the Minden Medical centre and the staff at the Haliburton Hospital. A special thanks to the staff of the Gordon Monk Funeral Home for the compassion for us at this difficult time. Thanks everyone Barbara and family.

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Daniel son of Jim and Sue Vandelip of Miner's Bay.
Wedding to take place on **October 14, 2006** in Ottawa.

Anniversaries

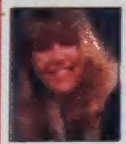


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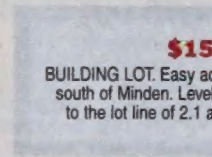
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